

SECRETARY'S POWER IS CURTAILED

Navy Department Cannot Summarily Dismiss Midshipmen From the Naval Academy--Court Martial Is Necessary.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Secretary Bonaparte has found that he has no power to dismiss midshipmen from the academy. He will be instructed to refer all such cases to the court martial. This information was conveyed to him today by Attorney General Moody. A few days ago he submitted to the attorney general the abstract question as to whether a cadet must be tried by court martial previous to his dismissal from the academy. He did not name the two midshipmen above referred to, but he did state that a case had recently arisen at the academy wherein two midshipmen had been dismissed.

Court-Martial Necessary.

Today the attorney general told the secretary that his conclusion was adverse to the asserted right of the secretary to dismiss a midshipman, and he promised to supply an opinion in full legal form within a short time. It is now the duty of Admiral Sigsbee, superintendent of the academy, to order Coffin and Vandever before a court martial under the terms of the act of 1874, and if they are convicted of hazing they must be dismissed from the academy. He will be instructed to this effect as soon as the attorney general's formal opinion is received at the navy department. Secretary Bonaparte is seeking legislative authority to make dismissals himself in such cases, but such legislation would not be retroactive or affect the two midshipmen.

Letter From Bonaparte.

Today he sent a letter to Senator Hale and Representative Moss, chairmen, respectively, of the senate and house committees on naval affairs, informing them of the situation, which, he says, will make it very difficult to deal satisfactorily with.

"In my judgment," says Secretary Bonaparte, "the proper discipline of the academy, and especially necessary for the education of the midshipmen, is a disciplinary power of summary dismissal of midshipmen should be vested in the secretary of the navy."

Secretary Bonaparte suggests the advisability of securing, if possible, the immediate enactment of such a statute.

PRAYS FOR ROOSEVELT EVERY DAY

Brother Hobbs, of the Benson High Priests' Quorum, Makes Sensational Speech at the Cache Stake Conference.

(Special to The Herald.)
OGAN, Utah, Dec. 19.—The high priests of the Cache stake held their conference yesterday, and from what can be learned today James Hobbs of Benson created somewhat of a stir at the morning meeting by hauling Reed Smoot's enemies over the coals.

Hobbs was asked to report the condition of the Benson high priests' quorum, and, after doing so, proceeded to lambast the Democratic members of the senate committee on elections, or Smoot investigating committee.

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erated in the west have had the care that was given by high railroad officials to this one. General Superintendent Buckingham of the Short Line, accompanied by General Passenger Agent Burley and Division Superintendent Hilliker went to Green River Monday afternoon to meet the flyer. They arrived in Green River Monday night and were up bright and early yesterday morning to wait for "the baby."

At 5:10 a. m., on time to a second, the train drew into the Green River station. First off were Mr. Darlow, who had worked up the newspaper party for the Union Pacific and who was in direct charge of all arrangements, General Passenger Agent Lomax, who had boarded the train at Omaha, and had been busy every minute since seeing that everything got all that was coming to him, was next. Mr. Lomax greeted Messrs. Buckingham, Hilliker and Burley and assured them that the powers that rule expected every man to do his duty.

Fast Time Is Made.

The other roads had done their duty and it was now "up to" the Short Line. It was not expected of the operating officials that they would break the record of 125 miles in 123 minutes, made on the Nebraska division, but they were expected to do so. And they did. At the throttle of the big engine was J. M. Stevenson, with J. G. Grundell on the other side of the cab. Conductor C. H. Pierce, with a cap and new stripes, in gray, flagman and P. S. Livingston, brakeman, were in charge behind.

The train itself was a thing of beauty and a joy forever to both railroad men and travelers. The front car held the dynamo and everything about it, as well as everything about the other cars, was new from trucks to transoms. Electrician Shepard was in charge of the dynamo and he was busy explaining the workings of the machine to frequent callers.

Just back of the dynamo car was the tourist sleeper, 3041, then the Pullman "Lynch," the Pullman "Purdue" and "Suffield," and the observation car, "U. P. 724." Every car was as nearly perfect as human hands could make it and some idea of what it means to service such a train can be gained from the fact that the train as it stood represented an investment of \$140,000. And it was only one of eight that are necessary. So, in round numbers, the train cost \$1,120,000.

As the train left Green River on time, so it was on time at every station. And on the route from Green River to Ogden Mr. Buckingham permitted the removal of a small drop of bitter from the cup of Mr. Lomax. The hitherto crack train of the Union Pacific, the Overland Limited, had been passed by the new train at Hanna, east of Green River, notwithstanding the fact that it left Chicago two hours earlier. This train, not entirely new, was owned by Mr. Lomax, and at Watson the Overland was permitted to catch up with and pass the Los Angeles train. The two ran into Ogden a short time apart, but the Los Angeles flyer reached Salt Lake ten minutes ahead of its esteemed contemporary.

Salt Lake Stop Later.

It wasn't necessary to do much fast running between Green River and Salt Lake, though Engineer Frank Gunnell, who held the throttle from Evanson in "let 'er out" dropping into Ogden, and again on the home stretch. The newspaper men were disappointed because the schedule did not provide for a stopover in Salt Lake City, but that is to be arranged for the return trip.

They will be worse disappointed when they learn how narrowly they escaped being held up in the Wyoming bad lands. Mr. Lomax is responsible for vetoing this feature. Mr. Darlow had planned to have the train stopped at a point in Wyoming miles from any station by a band of sure enough bandits. They were to be armed with rifles and revolvers, and after which the supposed holdups were to go through the train, depriving the newspaper men

of their valuables and carefully forgetting the other passengers. Mr. Lomax called the thing off because he was afraid it might seem to realistic.

However, there was no lack of entertainment for the travelers, both the guests of the road and the others. A bulletin posted at noon and another posted at 4 o'clock in the afternoon supplied the important news of the day to all comers. Then a Union Pacific photographer was along to take pictures of everybody whenever the spirit moved them. The diner and the observation car were open and popular at all hours, and if anybody still found time hanging heavily on his hands there was an abundance of reading matter and plenty of card games.

That the train will be popular is already assured. Yesterday, aside from the special party, there were as many passengers as could be comfortably taken care of. And no one who traveled on the first train will wonder at its popularity. Every device calculated to contribute to the comfort and convenience of the traveling public is to be found somewhere between the wheels of the tall lights of the Los Angeles Limited.

Another feature that will make it popular is the saving effected in time and the splendid hour of departure from Salt Lake. It will be possible, by taking this train, to leave Salt Lake after the close of business Saturday and reach Chicago in ample time for the opening Monday. Thus no business day is lost. And those who are traveling from Chicago to Los Angeles direct will hardly think of taking any other train.

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crease of the pitiful pay from \$1.35 per year to \$3 in the case of ordinary privates, and of from \$5 to \$6 in the case of the privates of the guard. At the same time the pay of the non-commissioned officers is increased in proportion, in the case of the highest of the sergeants major amounting to \$36.

One of the most significant features was the refusal of 1,000 employees of the Pullman works to observe the holiday of St. Nicholas. The insisted on working, on the understanding that the money earned by them would be used to swell the strike funds. It is stated that the strike fund of the railroad men now amounts to \$75,000.

Several barristers of St. Petersburg have resolved to offer their services for the defense of Lieutenant Schmidt, leader of the mutiny at Sebastopol, who is now in the Ouchakoff fortress.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.
Emperor Likely to Be Won Over by the Liberals.

the country and M. Shipoff replied emphatically that he did.

Discussed in Detail.
M. Gutchoff discussed in detail the educational test as well as the other restrictive systems proposed, stating his objections to each and concluding with the declaration that universal and equal suffrage was necessary.

Convert to the Cause.
The greatest surprise, however, was the speech of Count Robinsky, master of the court, who heretofore has been an implacable opponent of unrestricted suffrage. The count began by confessing that two weeks ago he believed such a suffrage should never be conceded. Now, however, while he still regarded suffrage restricted to the enlightened classes as the safest for Russia he was convinced that all considerations must give way to a single interest, the saving of the fatherland. Universal suffrage, he said, had become the watchword of the people and in such a crisis the government must seize the psychological moment. The speech made a great impression.

During the dinner which followed with Count Witte at the head of the table, even the most reactionary of those present hinted that it might be necessary after all to grant universal suffrage. It is now understood that Count Witte, at the discussion which will be resumed tomorrow, is determined to fight through a universal suffrage scheme.

SCARCITY OF TROOPS.
Government Fears to Deplete the St. Petersburg Garrison.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—Despite the statement that two army corps are being sent to the Baltic provinces, it is learned that no such number of troops is available. The government has sent two regiments from St. Petersburg in reply to the frantic appeals for reinforcements, but it is considered too dangerous to deplete the garrison of the capital any further during the present crisis and the government can only await the arrival of the Kosacks and other troops which are being hurried forward by General Linievich from Manchuria.

May Arouse Poles.
In the meantime the government's fear is that the rebellion, which is extending southward to the Polish provinces, may arouse the Poles to an armed uprising. Reliable details regarding the establishment of a government republic of Kharkoff have at last arrived. The workmen's socialist organizations, joined by 300 troops, took possession of the city and with the aid of militia armed with pistols and axes established a government of "federated council" as the executive committee was called. This council issued decrees which the authorities were perfectly powerless to resist.

The council turned off the electricity from the houses on the ground that it only benefited the rich while allowing it to burn in the streets where it benefited the people, and declared war on the authorities, which had previously been terrorizing a city. When a robber was captured he was placed under a tripod hammer with the threat that it would be dropped unless he revealed the whereabouts of the booty. This usually was effective in the case and the recovered plunder was returned to its owners. Two mysterious robbers were hanged in the public square.

FRIGHTFUL STORIES TOLD.
Desperate Fighting in the Province of Courland.

Mitau, Province of Courland (Undated), by mail to St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—Frightful stories are pouring in from the interior where desperate fighting has occurred between the troops and insurgents. Revolting tales are told of the barbarities practiced on the German landlords who are more detested by the Letts than are the Russians. In a fight near Tukum fourteen dragoons were killed and sixteen were wounded. It is estimated that the insurgents lost 200 men killed. A squadron of cavalry was ambushed and badly cut up near Grosstant and limped into Mitau with its wounded.

KILLED TO LAST MAN.

Cossacks and Dragoons Attacked by Mobs of Lithuanians.
Tokum, Courland, Russia, Sunday, Dec. 17, via St. Etlin, Prussia, Dec. 19.—A sensational correspondent of the Associated Press, who has just arrived here, learns that mobs of Lithuanians and Estonians yesterday attacked a hundred Cossacks and dragoons, the only military force situated in Tukum.

The mobs, after wild fighting, killed the soldiers to the last man, cut off their arms and legs and ripped their bodies up. The streets were strewn with bodies and dismembered parts. Six hundred troops arrived here this morning with three guns, shelled the places and charged the mobs of peasants, who surrendered or were dispersed.

Order has now been restored and the soldiers are burying the bodies of the slain and caring for the wounded. In all 240 soldiers and peasants were killed and many wounded.

Most of the population have fled to Riga, which now is the safest town in this part of Russia.

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who rises to the bigger things of life, and sometimes the size of her family helps in this, for she must keep abreast of her growing sons and daughters in the world-tough which she gets through or club. No, I think Utah is not a poodle-dog state. I know of but one club woman, one of the best and brightest, who has a poodle dog, and she has been denied the gift of a child. I have never seen club women leading poodle dogs along the street, nor fondling them as Rabbi Philo states they do in his house. I believe Utah is more conducive to the growth of children than to that of poodle dogs.

Lessons From the Orphans.
Mrs. C. H. McMahon, president of the board of directors of the Infants' home, chairman of the industrial farm committee and a worker in clubs, both church and secular for some years, says:

"I am of the opinion that mothers who are members of clubs do better for their children as well as for other children who are dependent than women who are not in clubs. Their club work must broaden their lives and by means of it they come to know and realize more fully the needs of the poor, miserable children whom they seek to help. Club women are not lacking in mother love, nor do they desire to be without children, but the question of having or not having children is not a one-sided one. The matter of childless families is not to be laid to the women alone. If men would lead the way, pure as women do as a rule there would be more chance for both larger and better families. It would seem, however, that there must be some women who have no children of their own in order that they may

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Councilman Richmond has been elected mayor pro tem, to act during the absence of Mayor Roylance in California.

Louis James comes to the opera house, on Thursday, the 21st, in "Virginius." This means a packed house.

Funeral services over the remains of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Dixon, held today in the "Four" war meeting house, were attended by a large number of relatives and friends. The following speakers addressed the congregation: Elders W. C. Benson, Jorgen Hansen and George McKinley. Beautiful vocal selections were rendered by the Third ward quartette.

President German E. Ellsworth of the northern states mission is in Provo today, having visited friends and relatives here and in other Utah county towns for a few days. He leaves for Chicago, where he will address a large audience, tomorrow.

The salary of Deputy Assessor Judd has been fixed at \$5 by the board of county commissioners.

CONCERT A SUCCESS.

Eureka, Dec. 18.—The local legend of Erika has the thanks of the music-loving public of Eureka. Last Saturday evening it secured the services of Cosgrove's Chicago orchestra, and a large crowd attended the concert and the Erika attended in full force. The company is composed of artists, and the programme was so thoroughly enjoyed by the artists that they gave a second concert, and a musical treat, such as Eureka seldom enjoys, was the result.

DOES AWAY WITH PHONE MOUTHPIECE

Consul Mahin of Nottingham reports that the suggestion transmitted and discussed by telephone mouthpieces has led the British General Electric company to devise an instrument in which the danger is avoided by simply abolishing the mouthpiece. The receiving and transmitting apparatus is combined in a single metal case, shaped like a watch, which is held continuously to the ear both in speaking and in listening. The transmitting microphone being made so sensitive that it becomes unnecessary to concentrate the sound waves on it by the aid of any mouthpiece such as is ordinarily used. Mounted on a handle, with a speaking key, the new arrangement is exactly similar to the common combined receiver and transmitter, except that there is no mouthpiece, and the speaker, as it were, addresses himself to the world at large, instead of talking into a trumpet-shaped orifice.

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PROVO'S CITY COUNCIL.

Provo, Dec. 19.—The state law providing that no liquor license shall be issued by a city to extend into the year following that in which it is issued, and the matter of amending the city ordinance to conform to this enactment of the state, was referred to the city attorney.

The bill for "Ordinance licensing railroad companies, etc., doing business in Provo City" was again taken up last night at the city council meeting, and then laid over till next meeting. Railroad companies were eliminated from the bill by the city attorney. The bill was fixed for other companies: Express companies, 25c; telephone companies, 25c; electric companies, 12c; light companies, 25c. A fine of \$20 is imposed for doing any of the business enumerated without first taking out a license. Marriage licenses have been issued to the following couples: Baird H. Allred,

67 CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

We received sixty-seven Santa Claus letters (Sunday, the 17th, from Utah, Texas, Arizona, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Kansas, Illinois, Missouri, California, Colorado, Nebraska, New York, and Nevada. Many had money in for Christmas. Many had notes and accounts in to be cashed for Christmas. Our mails are getting heavier as Christmas approaches. The rush is on. Better hurry up. Turn them in today.

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